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- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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X \$ 9	\$
X \$42	\$
+ \$140	\$

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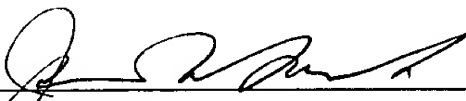
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 12, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows: